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Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) the total number of rehabilitation centres along with the number of children with severe and acute malnutrition and the total number of children enrolled at these Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres (NRCs) during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) the mechanism put in place by NRCs to identify and improve the condition of severe and acute malnourished children; and

(c) the total number of such cases wherein children admitted in NRCs have successfully recovered?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a)
â€¢ There are 965 Nutritional Rehabilitation Centres (NRCs) functional in the country.

â€¢ It is estimated that around 93.4 lakhs children are having severe acute malnutrition as per National Family Health Survey (NFHS) - 4.

â€¢ A total of 1,30,908, 1,72,902 and 1,76,310 children were enrolled at these NRCs in the year 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 respectively.

State/UT - wise details regarding the number of children enrolled at these NRCs during last three years is placed at annexure I.

(b): Under National Health Mission, Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres (NRCs) have been set up at public health facilities to treat and manage the children with Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) admitted with medical complications.
â€¢ Children are admitted as per the defined admission criteria and provided with medical and nutritional therapeutic care.
â€¢ The services and care provided for the in-patient management of SAM children include:
1. 24 hour care and monitoring of the child
2. Treatment of medical complications

3. Therapeutic feeding
4. Providing sensory stimulation and emotional care
5. Social assessment of the family to identify and address contributing factors
6. Counseling on appropriate feeding, care and hygiene
7. Demonstration and practice - by - doing on the preparation of energy dense child foods using locally available, culturally acceptable and affordable food items
Follow up of children discharged from the NRCs are also carried out.

(c): During the year 2016-17, 1,01,714 children admitted in these NRCs have successfully recovered.